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Filed: April 12, 2001)
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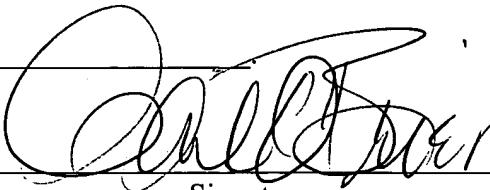
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RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Enclosed is a Response to the Official Action Mailed September 5, 2003 in connection
with the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for an Extension of Time is enclosed.
- Also enclosed is a copy of the Change of Power of Attorney, Change of Correspondence Address and Statement Under 37 Under C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- A Response to Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. 121 is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	16	Minus 20 =	0	x \$50.00 =	0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus 3 =	1	x \$200.00 =	0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00					N/A
Total Amendment Fee					N/A
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					N/A
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					0.00

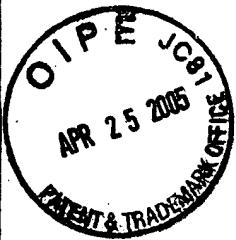
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Respectfully submitted,

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ELECTION OF GENUS AND SPECIES

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Sir:

The present Election is being filed in response to an Office Action dated April 4, 2005 in the above-captioned Application. Claims 1-16 are pending in the Application. In the Office Action, it was asserted that a restriction to a single invention is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 based on a division of the claims into three patentably distinct groups:

- I. Group I is directed to a process for providing a single business network.
- II. Group II is directed to a process for enrolling a member entity in a business network.
- III. Group III is directed to a process for implementing a purchasing program for a business network.

The Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 1-6 ands 15-16) in the present application.

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